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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

In the matter of Amending Local)	General Order No. 451-P
Civil Rule 40.1.h)	
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Local Civil Rule 40.1.h shall be amended as follows:

- (1) The first paragraph of Local Civil Rule 40.1.h shall be amended to read as follows:
 - h. Assignments and Transfers. In order to avoid unnecessary duplication of judicial effort, all pending civil actions and proceedings, which are determined to be related to any other pending civil action or proceeding pursuant to the criteria set forth in Civil Local Rule 40.1.d shall be assigned to the district and magistrate judge to whom the lowest numbered case was assigned, or the magistrate judge, if the parties consent, and the magistrate judge is handling the lower numbered case by consent. Orders for transfers of cases subject to this "low-numbered" rule shall be made and entered at the earliest practicable date following commencement of the action or proceedings.
- (2) The second paragraph of Local Civil Rule 40.1.h shall be deleted.

The purpose of these amendments is to provide that when a related case is transferred to a district judge having the lower numbered case, the case shall also be transferred to the magistrate judge having the lower numbered case.

The period for public comment shall be until August 10, 2005. Absent further order of this Court, the effective date of the Rule is August 11, 2005. Any comments should be submitted to the Clerk, U.S. District Court, at 880 Front Street, Room 4290, San Diego, California 92101-8900. Please note on the envelope: in re: Civ. L.R. Amendments.

IT IS SO ORDERED

July 12, 2005

DATED:

IRMA E. GONZALEZ, Chief Judge / United States District Court

MARILYN L. HUFF, Judge United States District Court

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